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## NOTICE OF APPEAL AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME **PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)**

SIR:

Applicant hereby appeals the Examiner's decision made in the Final Office Action dated October 9, 2007, finally rejecting claims 16 to 28. Applicant also respectfully requests a threemonth extension of time in which to file the Notice of Appeal from the final Office Action of October 9, 2007, for which a response period was set to expire on January 9, 2008. The threemonth extended period for response expires on April 9, 2008

Applicant previously petitioned for a one-month extension of time and authorized payment of the associated fee with the filing of the Amendment dated February 11, 2008. Therefore, the fee for obtaining the three-month extension of time is believed to be \$930.00 (\$1,050 less \$120 already paid). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the payment of the 37 C.F.R. § 41.20(b)(1) Notice of Appeal fee of \$510.00, and to charge payment of the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (a) extension of time fee of \$930.00 to Kenyon & Kenyon LLP, Deposit Account No. 11-0600. Any additional fees deemed necessary should also be charged to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

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